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TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

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SUBJECT: U.S.-IRAN WORKING GROUP ON HOUSING

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING LETTER FROM DANIEL P. KEARNEY, PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, DEPARTMENT OF HUD, CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S.-IRAN WORKING GROUP ON HOUSING TO ZAVEN SIMONIAN, VICE MINISTER FOR CITY PLANNING AND HOUSING, MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND CO-CHAIRMAN.

2. "DEAR MR. SIMONIAN: IN LINE WITH THE DECISION OF THE U.S.-IRAN WORKING GROUP ON HOUSING IN APRIL THAT THE NEXT MEETING BE IN TEHRAN WITHIN APPROXIMATELY FOUR MONTHS, WE PROPOSE A MEETING TO BEGIN IN LATE JULY, PROVIDED THAT THE PLANNED EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION HAVE OCCURRED. SPECIFICALLY, THE U.S. TEAM COULD ARRIVE TEHRAN ON THURSDAY, JULY 24 AND BEGIN WORK SESSIONS ON SATURDAY, JULY 26. WE ARE PREPARED TO STAY THROUGH MONDAY, AUGUST 4 SO THAT A STUDY TOUR COULD INCLUDE, AT A MINIMUM, APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT UNCLASSIFIED

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AGENCIES, CONSTRUCTION SITES IN TEHRAN, PERSIAN GULF PORTS,

AND NEW TOWNS. PLEASE ADVISE US AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF THE
ABOVE DATES ARE ACCEPTABLE SO THAT NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS
CAN BE MADE. IF THEY ARE NOT, PLEASE INDICATE A MORE
SUITABLE TIME. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU AGAIN

AND CONTINUING OUR VERY FRUITFUL DISCUSSIONS. VERY TRULY
YOURS, DANIEL P. KEARNEY"

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED OBTAIN ANSWER FROM SIMONIAN ASAP,
PREFERABLY BY JUNE 6, 1975 IN ORDER TO BEGIN PREPARATIONS
FOR U.S. WORKING GROUP TEAM VISIT. INGERSOLL

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